

NOTE. — The following outlines of Sanitary Orders and Regulations, as recommended by this Committee, having been maturely considered by the State Board of Health of New York, have been adopted as expressing the judgment of this Board, and they are respectfully submitted to local sanitary authorities and recommended for their adoption.

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MODEL SANITARY REGULATIONS.

Orders and Regulations that may be adopted by Local Boards of Health.

The following are the orders and regulations of a general nature that are recommended as proper to be adopted; they apply to all *villages* incorporated under the general acts for the incorporation of villages of 1847 and 1870, and the acts amendatory thereof, and to the *towns* of the State (except such of these orders and regulations as are recommended as appropriate to cities and villages *only*), and all *cities* and villages in the State (except the Metropolitan District) that have special charters, provided they are *not in conflict* with these charters.

ORDERS AND REGULATIONS *adopted by the Board of Health* for the
_____ of _____,* county of _____,
State of New York.

SECTION 1. Whatever is dangerous to human life or to health, whatever building, erection, or part or cellar thereof is overcrowded, or not provided with adequate means of ingress and egress, or is not sufficiently supported, ventilated, sewered, drained, cleaned or lighted, and whatever renders the air or food and water or drink unwholesome, are declared to be nuisances, and to be illegal; and every person having aided in creating or contributing to the same, or who may support, continue or retain any of them, shall be deemed guilty of a violation of this ordinance, and also be liable for the expense of the abatement and remedy therefor.

§ 2. No privy-vault, cess-pool or reservoir, into which a privy, water-closet, stable or sink is drained, except it be water-tight, shall be established or permitted within fifty feet of any well, spring or other source of water used for drinking or culinary purposes. And every privy-vault and cess-pool shall be cleaned, and the contents thereof removed, at least once before the first of May in each year.

§ 3. All sewers or drains that pass within fifty feet of any source of water used for drinking or culinary purposes shall be water-tight.

* Insert name of city, village or town.

§ 4. No house-offal, dead animals or refuse of any kind shall be thrown upon the streets or left exposed by any person; and no butcher, fish-monger or vendor of merchandise of any kind, shall leave any refuse upon the streets, or uncovered by earth, upon the lots of this* —————; and all putrid and decaying animal or vegetable matter must be removed from all cellars and out-buildings at least once in each year, and on or before May first in each year. Whoever shall violate any of the provisions of this section shall be liable to a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each and every offense, in addition to the liability to fine and imprisonment as for a misdemeanor, as provided by law.

§ 5. No tanner, refiner, or manufacturer of gas, starch, leather, chemicals, fertilizers, or of any product whatsoever, shall permit or have any offensive substance or water, or other liquid, whether refuse, or for use in any trade or otherwise, on his premises, or throw, deposit or allow to run, or to be thrown into any public waters, street or public place, lake, pond, river or stream, any offensive or deleterious liquid, or any gas, tar or refuse, or any offensive matter; or befoul or render impure any natural stream of water, or fail to use the most approved, and all reasonable, means to prevent the escape of smoke, gases and odors.

§ 6. No meat, fish, birds, fowls, fruit, vegetables, milk, and nothing for human food, not being then healthy, fresh, sound, wholesome, fit and safe for such use, nor any animal or fish that died by disease or accident, and no carcass of any calf, pig or lamb, which, at the time of its death, was less than four weeks old, and no meat therefrom shall be brought within the limits of *————— or offered or held for sale as food anywhere in said *—————. Whoever shall violate any of the provisions of this section shall be liable to a penalty of twenty-five dollars for each and every offense in addition to the liability to fine and imprisonment, as for a misdemeanor, as provided by law.

§ 7. Any householder in whose dwelling there shall occur a case of cholera, yellow-fever, typhus or typhoid fever, scarlet-fever, diphtheria or small-pox shall immediately notify the board of health of the same; and until instructions are received from the said board, shall not permit any clothing or other property that may have been exposed to infection to be removed from the house. Nor shall any occupant change his residence elsewhere without the consent of the said board during the prevalence of any public danger from said disease; and all physicians and other attendants upon any person sick with small-pox, cholera, typhus, typhoid or scarlet fever, diphtheria or other disease dangerous to the public health shall forthwith report the same to the board of health. And it shall be the duty of such physicians and attendants to avoid exposure to the public of any garments or clothing about their own persons that may have been infected from exposure to any diseases.

§ 8. No person or article liable to propagate a dangerous disease

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shall be brought within the limits of this city (or village) without the special permit and direction of the board of health thereof; and whenever it shall come to the knowledge of any person that such person or article has been brought within such limits he shall immediately give notice thereof to the said board, together with the location thereof. No person shall, within the built-up portion of a city or village, without a permit from the board of health thereof, carry or remove from one building to any other, or from any vessel to the shore, any person sick of any contagious disease. Nor shall any person, by any exposure of any individual sick of any contagious disease, or of the body of such person, or by any negligent act connected therewith, or in respect of the care or custody thereof, or by a needless exposure of himself, cause or contribute to, or promote the spread of disease from any such person, or from any dead body. And it shall be the duty of this board to order such separation and isolation or domestic quarantine of the sick from other persons not necessary as attendants, and also such special care and disinfection as shall be needed in order to prevent the spreading of such disease to others.

§ 9. There shall not be a public or church funeral of any person who has died of small-pox, diphtheria, scarlet fever, yellow fever or Asiatic cholera; and the family of the deceased is required to limit the attendance to as few as possible, and to prevent the presence, so far as they are able, of those who have not had the disease of which the deceased person died; and it shall be the duty of householders and all persons concerned, where a death occurs from any contagious or pestilential disease, to prevent needless assembling in the apartments and house, where such diseases are, of all persons liable to become infected thereby.

§ 10. The keeping and slaughtering of all cattle, sheep and swine, and the preparation and keeping of all meat and fish, birds and fowls, shall be in that manner which is, or is generally reputed or known to be, best adapted to secure and continue their safety and wholesomeness as food; and every butcher and every person owning, leasing, or occupying any place, room or building where any cattle, sheep or swine have been or are killed or dressed, and every person being the owner, lessee or occupant of any room or stable, where any cattle may be kept for market, public or private, shall cause such place, room, building, stall and market, and their yards and appurtenances to be thoroughly cleansed and purified, and all offal, blood, fat, garbage, refuse, and unwholesome or offensive matter to be therefrom removed, at least once in every twenty-four hours after the use thereof for any of the purposes herein referred to; and shall also, at all times, keep all wood-work, save floors and counters, in any building, place or premises aforesaid, thoroughly painted or white-washed.

§ 11. No animal affected with an infectious or contagious disease shall be brought or kept within the limits of this *

* Insert name of city or village.

except by the permission of the board of health thereof. No animal having the glanders or farcy shall be kept, used or retained or be permitted within the said limits.

The following orders and regulations are recommended as appropriate to *cities and villages only*, that can be adopted by the boards of health thereof, in addition to those above provided :

SECTION 1. No person or company shall erect or maintain within the limits of *_____ any manufactory or place of business dangerous to life or detrimental to health, or where unwholesome, offensive or deleterious odors, gas, smoke, deposit or exhalations are generated, without the permit of the board of health; and every such establishment now existing shall be kept clean and wholesome in every particular, so as not to be offensive or prejudicial to life and health.

§ 2. Every hotel, lodging-house, tenement-house, workshop or other building where several persons are employed, factory, school, church, theater, and every public building, shall be open to the inspection of the health officer and of the officers of the board of health. Every owner, lessee, tenant, occupant or person in charge or having any care or responsibility of any such building or of any public building who shall have any knowledge or information of any defects therein, whereby any avoidable peril may come or happen to any person being properly in such building, or having any knowledge or information of any thing prejudicial to life or detrimental to health, or of any nuisance, or of any thing likely to become such, in or about such building or the premises thereof, shall promptly give notice of the same to the board of health, and in such notice as fully as possible describe the locality. The remedy in respect to such building or its premises, or the repairs and improvements thereof, or the abatement of any nuisance which the board of health may at any time order or direct, shall be at once provided by the person or persons who shall own or have in charge or be responsible for the premises described in the order or direction of the board of health.

§ 3. No milk which has been watered, adulterated, reduced or changed in any respect by the addition of water or other substance, shall be brought into, held, kept or offered for sale at any place in the city (or village) of *_____; nor shall any one keep, have or offer for sale in the said city (or village) any such milk.

* Insert name of city, village or town.